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AIDAC

E.O. 11652: N/A

SUBJECT: LESOTHO NTTC/IMRC PROJECT

REF: STATE 147753

1. AS AID/W AWARE, TWO U.S. SPECIALISTS IN REFTTEL CURRENTLY CANNOT BE FIELD UNTIL FY 77 FUNDING AVAILABLE. THIS WOULD MEAN JANUARY 77 AS EARLIEST POSSIBLE ARRIVAL DATE DUE DIFFICULTY OF RECRUITING ACADEMICS IN FALL. WHITTEN HAS ENQUIRED IF THERE IS ANYWAY AROUND THIS CONSTQAIN T AS HE AND JOYNER FEEL IT NECESSARY TO AVOID FURTHER SLIPPAGE IN PROVIDING INTERIM ASSISTANCE TO NTTC FOR IMRC DEVELOPMENT. WHITTEN FEELS THERE IS REASONABLE CHANCE OF RECRUITMENT OF AT LEAST ONE PERSON FOR SEPTEMBER START.

2. OSARAC ABLE PROVIDE \$30,000 ALREADY OBLIGATED UNDER PROJECT 030.2 TO PARTIALLY FUND OPEX TECHNICIAN FOR IMRC INTDRIM POSITION UTIL FY 77 030 FUNDS IDENTIFIED FOR THIS PURPOSE BECOME AVAILABLE. THIS ASSUMES OPEX CONTRACTOR WILLING TO RECRUIT TECHNICIAN WITH PARTIAL FUNDING. WHITTEN CONSIDERS THIS COURSE OF ACTION FEASIBLE AND HIGLY DESIREABLE.

3. FYI, WHITTEC AND JOYNER HAVE INDICATSD POSITIVE FUNDINGS ON PROJECT FEASIBILITY AND EXPECT TO COMPLETE DRAFT PRP IN 7-10 DAYS. WHEN DRAFT COMPLETE, THEY WILL TRAVEL TO MBABANE FOR FINALIZATION OF PRP.

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4. PLEASE PROVIDE AID/W COMMENTS PRIORITY SO DECISION CAN BE

MADE ON USE OF FUNDS PER PARA 2.
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